

Fuel farm powers Bagram Air Base

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BAGRAM, Afghanistan – Hot meals and showers, warm tents, and electricity for television sets and video game systems are some of the amenities soldiers here enjoy daily. Without the fuel farm however, all of this would be impossible.

The soldiers in the Petroleum, Oil and Lubricants platoon, 364th Supply Company, 264th Logistical Task Force, Fort Bragg, N.C., have been working 12 hours a day, seven days a week for the past six months to supply the air base with all of the fuel it needs to operate.

“Our fuel farm consists of 22, 50,000 gallon fuel bags that supply the air base with all its fuel,” said 1st Lt. Carla Pagan, POL platoon leader.

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Photo by Staff Sgt. Walter Norris, 364th Supply Company

Soldiers from the Petroleum, Oil and Lubricant Platoon, 364th Supply Company, 264th Logistical Task Force, Fort Bragg, N.C., fuel a helicopter before it heads off on a mission. Providing fuel for aircraft is just one of many missions the POL Platoon has accomplished in the last six months.

Situational awareness increases combat effectiveness, safety

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BAGRAM, Afghanistan — There are many hazards of duty facing soldiers who are deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Rocket attacks, mine fields and enemy forces all pose a threat to the personal safety of soldiers. However, these are not the only threats facing soldiers. Many other factors may endanger one's safety, said Maj. Scott Hall, Coalition Task Force-82 safety manager.

As safety manager, Hall provides risk assessment of tactical operations, ammo and explosives, transportation safety, fire safety, airfield safety and investigates accidents.

Rotary wing aircraft landing in unimproved landing zones is one of the biggest safety risks here in Afghanistan, Hall said. The dust, wind and altitude also endanger aircraft.

The biggest danger to troop safety with ground forces is operating in the harsh Afghanistan climate.

The best way to combat safety hazards is through preparation and training, said Hall.

“Aviation requires newer pilots to fly with someone who has been here a while before they rotate out their forces,” Hall explained.

This process is also being used by other units to familiarize troops rotating into the combat theater, Hall added.

“CTF-82 has done an excellent job in preparing troops for being here,” Hall said.

An example of safety precautions resulting in a successful mission was the Dec. 19 crash of a Danish F-16 fighter jet at Bagram Air Base. The F-16 crashed in the middle of a minefield and soldiers of the 184th Explosives Ordnance Disposal Battalion used their training to clear a path through the mines and make the area safe for

recovery of the aircraft.

That's just one example of how a safety-conscious unit can be combat effective.

Maintaining situational awareness is another important key to being a safe member of the War on Terror, according to Hall.

Hall has several tools to help him remind soldiers of dangers and to help keep them aware of their surroundings.

Safety posters around the command warn soldiers, “Don't Gamble On Safety — Your Future Depends On It.”

Another practically shouts, “DON'T TOUCH — DUDSCAN MAIM OR KILL.”

Looking at the conse-

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World News (Compiled from CNN.com)

Iraq says it will destroy missiles

UNITED NATIONS — Iraq has informed the United Nations that it will comply with an instruction from chief U.N. weapons inspector Hans Blix to destroy missiles that have been deemed illegal under U.N. sanctions.

However, in a letter received by the United Nations late Thursday, Iraq asked for talks on how the Al Samoud 2 missiles, should be destroyed.

The letter gives no indication that the destruction will begin ahead of the Saturday deadline given by Blix.

U.N. experts determined that the missiles have a range beyond the 150 kilometers (93 miles) allowed under U.N. resolutions.

In the letter, Iraq said it does not know how to destroy the weapons and wants a technical mission to discuss the details, and repeated its contention that the order is unfair.

Meanwhile, Blix will recommend steps Iraq can take to resolve several disarmament issues, in a report to be given to the Security Council Saturday.

NASA chief blasted

ATLANTA, Ga. — NASA Administrator Sean O'Keefe endured searing criticism in a congressional hearing Thursday, the day after the release of NASA memos that raised safety concerns with chilling premonitions of the space shuttle Columbia disaster.

In the internal e-mails, shuttle engineers raised fears that the left wing of the orbiter could burn off with the loss of the crew.

The memos, written in the days before the Columbia broke apart, never reached top NASA management. The orbiter was lost during atmospheric re-entry Feb. 1 shortly after experiencing problems with its left wing.

"I read this stuff before you did. That's crazy," said U.S. Rep. Anthony Weiner, D-New York, referring to reports in the press late Wednesday.

Weiner heatedly demanded to know why the concerns had not reached O'Keefe while the shuttle was in flight.

"Have you fired anyone for not bringing them to your attention sooner? I can't think

of anything more important on your desk than how's that shuttle doing," he said.

O'Keefe responded that the appropriate experts had considered all possible problems and decided that there was no landing risk.

"We encourage, expect, demand that people exchange ideas and solutions on how to deal with anomalies that occur on flight," O'Keefe told the House committee hearing.



Of the 19,935 separate human remains recovered from Ground Zero, 6,289 have been identified.

Remains of 2 hijackers identified

NEW YORK — New York medical examiners using DNA samples have identified the remains of two of the 10 suicide hijackers who crashed jetliners into the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, 2001, officials said Thursday.

The FBI provided the medical examiners' office with DNA profiles of the 10 hijackers, said Ellen Barakove, a spokeswoman for the New York Medical Examiner's office. Examiners matched two of the profiles to remains collected after the twin towers' collapse.

Examiners could not say which of the hijackers' remains had been discovered because the FBI did not identify which of the DNA samples belonged to which hijacker, she said.

The samples came from items recovered from locations such as the scene of the crashes, a hotel or other places where the hijackers stayed.

The matches could be beneficial to the investigation into the attacks by revealing more about what the hijackers were like and where they had been, said an FBI spokesman in New York.

FARC rebels warn U.S.

BOGOTA, Colombia — Any attempt to use force to rescue three Americans held captive by Colombian rebels could end in their deaths, a rebel spokesman said.

The Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC, captured the Americans on Feb. 13 after their U.S. government plane went down in southern Colombia during an intelligence mission.

"The prisoners of war of the FARC do run the risk of dying as a consequence of a crossfire between members of our guerrilla organization and units of the state security forces, if they attempt to rescue the prisoners by force of arms," said Raul Reyes, a FARC spokesman.

Reyes' comments were delivered in writing to Noticias Uno, a TV news station in Bogota, which broadcast them late Wednesday.

Colombian soldiers, with information from U.S. military personnel, are searching the jungles and mountains of southern Colombia for the three captives.

'Mister Rogers' dies at age 74

PITTSBURGH, Penn. — Fred Rogers, better known as television's "Mister Rogers," a cultural icon and kindly neighbor to generations of American children, died Thursday at the age of 74.

Rogers died at his home in Pittsburgh, Penn., after a brief battle with stomach cancer, according to a spokeswoman for his production company.

David Newell, a Rogers family spokesman, told The Associated Press that Rogers was exactly as he appeared on TV.

"He was so genuinely, genuinely kind, a wonderful person," said Newell, who played Mr. McFeely on the show. "His mission was to work with families and children for television. ... That was his passion, his mission, and he did it from Day One."

Rogers began developing his ideas for children's programming in the 1950s. He is best known for "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood," which began in its early form in 1963 as a show on the Canadian Broadcasting Corp.

'Don't forget Afghanistan,' Karzai cautions U.S.

By Kathleen T. Rhem
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Afghan President Hamid Karzai delivered a sobering message to the U.S. Congress Wednesday: Don't forget Afghanistan.

"If you leave the whole thing for us to fight again, it will be repeating the mistakes that the United States made during the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan," Karzai told members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

"Once the Soviets left, the Americans left. The consequence of that was what you saw in Afghanistan and in the United States and in the rest of the world," he said, indicating increased terrorist activity, including the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks in the United States.

The Afghan president said the United States must maintain a focus on his country until terrorism is absolutely defeated, the Afghan government and institutions are rebuilt, the economy is stronger and a constitution is in place. "We are nearly at the end of the forest, (but) not outside of it."

Karzai also reached out to the Iraqi people. "We would wish for them what we wish for ourselves — for the Iraqi people to be free, and liberated, and to have access to a better life," he said.

The Afghan president was briefing Congress on progress in his country during the past year. On the positive side, he noted 3 million children have returned to school, 2 million refugees have returned, and the country has a new currency and "a helluva free press."

He spoke with pride of the "100 newspapers in Kabul alone" and radio stations functioning in all provinces. "And they are all critical of us, of course, as the press is all the time," he added.

The success of the 3,000 national army troops is also a bright spot in Afghanistan's future. Karzai said he's heard stories of Afghan forces being mistaken for British or International Security Assistance Force troops in the countryside.

Bagram Air Base MWR presents

1530Z at the MWR Building: "Road to Perdition." Bonds of loyalty are put to the test when a hitman's son witnesses what his father does for a living.

Tomorrow night the Dragon Palace is hosting a Mardi Gras Dance Party. Movie night will resume Monday with "Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers."



Local weather

TWO-DAY REGIONAL WEATHER FORECAST:

	Today	Saturday
Bagram:	Mostly cloudy H: 46F L: 30F	Mostly cloudy H: 45F L: 28F
Kandahar:	Haze H: 75F L: 46F	Dust H: 68F L: 39F
Kabul:	Haze H: 57F L: 32F	Haze H: 55F L: 28F
Uzbekistan:	Rain/Snow H: 46F L: 34F	Mostly cloudy H: 43F L: 25F

Weather forecast courtesy of the Bagram Combat Weather Team

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Photos by Staff Sgt. Walter Norris, 364th Supply Company

The fuel point on Disney Drive, serves as the only "gas station" available for ground vehicles on Bagram.

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toon leader, 364th. "Our soldiers work very hard to accomplish between seven and eight different missions daily such as fueling vehicles, aircraft, prime-power sources and equipment for U.S. and coalition forces."

In addition to supplying fuel for all equipment and personnel on Bagram, the 364th is also responsible for fueling many areas all over Afghanistan.

"Hundreds of local contractors come to Bagram weekly to transport fuel back and forth," said Cpl. Alex Taylor, squad leader, POL platoon, 364th.

"Fuel trucks come through here all hours of the day and night bringing fuel from Pakistan for our use and to take fuel to many different forward operating bases all over the country," Taylor said.

The 364th's mission of fuel supply here is not much different than their job in the

states, with the exception of one new and challenging task.

"This is the first time we have had to supply and test fuel for aircraft," said Staff Sgt. Walter Norris, POL platoon sergeant, 364th. "This is a very important part of our job that must be taken very seriously."

For this part of the 364th's mission, they are equipped with personnel specialized in fuel testing.

"Making sure fuel is serviceable for aircraft is a lot different than for vehicles or other equipment," said Spc. Jena Cornell, petroleum laboratory specialist, POL platoon, 364th.

"When aircrafts reach certain altitudes, there is the concern of the fuel freezing. We have to use fuel system icing inhibitors to prevent that."

"Fuel is a highly active and corrosive substance," said Cornell. "For this reason, we use corrosive inhibitors and static dissipater additives to prevent corrosion and

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- Spc. Jena Cornell



Testing and supplying fuel for aircraft has been a new challenge for the Petroleum, Oil and Lubrication Platoon, 364th Supply Company, 264th Logistical Task Force, Fort Bragg, N.C. The POL Platoon supplies fuel for all aircraft on Bagram Air Base.

static in the fuel, which may cause problems to equipment on the aircraft."

Another challenge the POL platoon has faced is keeping water out of the fuel.

"Rainfall is a huge concern when it comes to fuel," said Norris. "Whenever it rains we have to check for leaks to make sure no water gets into the fuel bags. If fuel mixed with too much water is put into aircraft, within ten minutes of takeoff the plane will crash."

Even though the fuel farm receives about 800,000 gallons of fuel weekly, and maintains about 1 million gallons at time, they have had shortages due to the winter months.

"In the winter, more fuel is used for generators and heaters," said Norris.

"We had to add seven fuel bags to the 14 we had to keep up with all of the fuel requests," he added.

"Right after Christmas we were down to 90,000 gallons of fuel. We had enough fuel for vehicles, prime power and Kellogg, Brown and Root usage but we couldn't provide fuel for aircraft."

As the winter months come to a close, so does the 364th's mission in Afghanistan. Within the next few weeks, Brown and Root will take over the fuel farm and the 364th will return to Fort Bragg, N.C.

"I think our soldiers have done a superb job here," said Pagan. "They do physical training every morning and work long hours into the night to accomplish the mission."

"Without our presence here, there would be no heat, electricity, power or air support," said Taylor. "Our mission is definitely one of the most vital in support of our nation's overall operation in Afghanistan."

CTF-82 commander recognizes great Americans

By Master Sgt. Pam Smith
CTF-82 PAO

BAGRAM, Afghanistan — Black History Month is the time to celebrate and focus on the contributions made by African Americans.

During a professional development presentation to his staff at Coalition Task Force-82 headquarters, Maj. Gen. John R. Vines, CTF-82 commander, recognized African-American leaders who changed U.S. history and acknowledged a man he calls one of his heroes.

"It would be inappropriate to let Black History Month pass without recognizing great Americans who changed U.S. history," said Vines. His presentation focused on the Civil Rights struggle in Alabama, specifically the spring and summer of 1963.

Vines provided a brief background on Montgomery and Birmingham, Ala., noting that Montgomery was the first capital of the Confederacy and the scene of Rosa Parks' refusal to surrender her seat on Dec. 1, 1955 on a Cleveland Avenue bus.



Photo by Glenn Hartong, The Cincinnati Enquirer

The Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth in front of his Greater New Light Baptist Church in North Avondale where he has been pastor since 1966.

Birmingham was the largest steel producer outside Allegheny-Monongahela Valleys. It was built by emancipation slaves and was, in Vines words, "The most institutionally-segregated large city in the U.S."

Martin Luther King said of Birmingham, "It had a heart as hard as the steel it produces and as black as the coal it mines."

Vines gave examples of corruption, of racism and how a series of tragic events led to the landmark signing of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Vines was born in Birmingham, his father was a steelworker, and was a teenager during a period of some of the most shameful incidents in American history.

"Because my father was a steel worker. I saw first hand the control the company had over its workers. Only later did I recognize that some of its policies were designed to pit workers and races against each other."

According to Vines, the story of Birmingham is a story about heroes and villains and about leaders who had the courage to fight for their beliefs.

Vines' list of institutions that fostered institutional racism included the FBI, U.S. Steel (at the time had the biggest business in the world), the city and state governments and the Ku Klux Klan.

The leaders and heroes included Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Rev. Ralph Abernathy and Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth, who were known as the "big three" in the American Civil Rights Movement. Vines focused his discussion specifically on Shuttlesworth who lived in Birmingham.

Between 1953 and 1961, Shuttlesworth served as pastor of Birmingham's Bethel Baptist Church and he founded the Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights in 1956.

A long-standing leader of the movement to end segregation in Birmingham, Shuttlesworth was physically assaulted, knocked unconscious with high-pressure fire hoses and his home was dynamited while he slept. "Throughout, Rev. Shuttlesworth was at ground zero," said Vines. "He led from the front in confronting institutional racism and is one of my heroes." Shuttlesworth's home



Rosa Parks having her fingerprints taken after her arrest on Dec. 1, 1955.

was bombed the first time on Christmas 1956.

Shuttlesworth attempted to integrate his own children into Phillips High School on Sept. 4, 1957. He was attacked by a mob with bicycle chains. His house was bombed again the summer of '58.

According to Vines, the Civil Rights Movement was confronted with increasing violence over the next few years. Despite this violence, the movement continued to use non-violent and peaceful protest.

In May 1961, Freedom Riders, those who rode the buses to exert their right to do so, were assaulted in Birmingham and beaten at the Trailways Bus Station (one block from city hall). "Though just a block away, it took the police 15 minutes to respond, despite the fact that Bull Connor had made his reputation on 'law and order,'" Vines said. Shuttlesworth was later jailed for providing sanctuary to the injured riders.

Shuttlesworth said, "I was in jail so many times, I quit counting after 20." Vines estimated the number to be as many as 50 times.

Shuttlesworth's former church was bombed on Dec. 14, 1962. The FBI didn't investigate the incident.

Because there were so many bombings, Vines said some started calling the city "Bombingham" instead of Birmingham.

Still the violence could not curb Shuttlesworth's zeal for civil rights or shake his determination to bring about equality.

He helped organize a children's march

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on May 3, 1963. A group of 1,500 school children marched through the city streets. The police commissioner, Eugene "Bull" Connor, unleashed police dogs and fire hoses on the young demonstrators.

Shuttlesworth's injuries would land him in the hospital once again.

The media coverage of the disturbing events thrust Birmingham into the public eye as the photos were circulated in newspapers across the country.

The "most segregated city in the U.S." was headed for change. A Desegregation Agreement was reached on May 20, 1963.

Still what is considered by many to be the most horrific crime of the Civil Rights struggle, happened just months after the agreement was reached. The 16th St. Baptist

Church was bombed and four young girls, Denise McNair, Carole Robertson, Addie Mae Collins and Cynthia Wesley were killed on Sept. 15, 1963. This tragedy would be a driving force in getting the Civil Rights Act signed into law on July 2, 1964.

Even with all the changes, it was nearly 40 years before the last suspect; Tommy Blanton was tried and convicted on May 1, 2001 for the 16th Street Church bombing.

Vines has served 32 years in the Army. He has served with the Rangers, made a combat jump into Panama, drew the line in the sand as the commander of the first ground combat unit into Saudi Arabia, participated in operations in Somalia and is now leading CTF-82 in its mission to destroy terrorism in Afghanistan. Still he said it was those years growing up in Birmingham, where the struggle for Civil Rights was being played

out before his young eyes that had the most significant, life-long impact on him.

"When we recognize heroes, we can't forget great Americans, like Rev. Shuttlesworth, who battled against oppression, were abused, beaten and arrested and still fought and still continued the struggle," said Vines. "His actions changed many people's lives for the better."

There are two lessons Vines left his audience with. One is from the quote by English philosopher Edmund Burke. "All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is that good men do nothing."

The other lesson is in a motto of the British Special Air Service Regiment that epitomizes Rev. Shuttlesworth. "He who dares, wins."

"Rev. Shuttlesworth dared to challenge the system and though he endured many hardships, ultimately he won the battle."

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quences of an action before taking action would prevent many accidents, Hall said. The posters are just one way Hall sends his messages of safety.

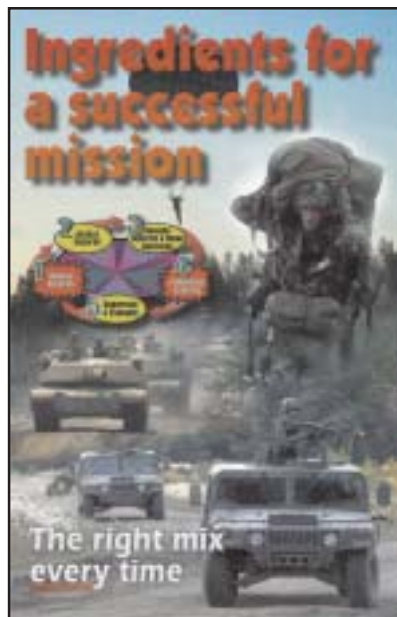
Another way the safety section works to prevent accidents is by sending out safety alerts through e-mail. Commanders then work to be proactive in avoiding hazards by informing their soldiers.

Unsafe actions and accidents should immediately be reported to the chain of command, Hall said. But prevention of unsafe acts through safety training and risk management is the best combat multiplier.

Combat operations, civil affairs missions, re-supply routes and everyday tasks can all become a danger to personnel and equipment if risk management isn't applied.

Hall emphasized that safety is an important part of CTF-82's mission because if equipment and personnel are lost in accidents, the real mission of fighting the War on Terror becomes much more difficult.

"Anytime resources are lost in an accident, it detracts from the combat power of our forces," Hall said. "Remember, think safety first."



Black History Month

February is Black History Month. In light of all the accomplishments made by African-Americans, every day this month the *Freedom Watch* will highlight an individual.

Sarah Breedlove Walker (Madame C. J. Walker); *businesswoman, philanthropist*

Born: Dec. 23, 1867 **Birthplace:** Delta, La.

After a series of bereavements that left her orphaned at 6 and widowed at 20, she and her daughter A'Lelia moved to St. Louis to start over. She worked days as a washerwoman and went to night school before inventing (1905) a process for straightening the hair of African-Americans. Her process, combining her unique formula with brushes and heated combs, caught on, and with the money from her successful business she and her daughter moved to Denver. She married Charles J. Walker, and began promoting her product and process under the name of Madame C. J. Walker. She opened a permanent office in Pittsburgh in 1908, which her daughter ran, and in 1910 she formed Madame C. J. Walker Laboratories in Indianapolis, where she developed products and trained her beauticians, known as "Walker Agents." The agents and the products were recognized in black communities throughout the U.S. and Caribbean for promoting the philosophy that cleanliness and loveliness could advance the plight of African-Americans. At her death, the multi-million dollar estate was left to various philanthropic organizations and to her daughter, whose philanthropic endeavors were key to funding the Harlem Renaissance.

Died: May 25, 1919



Coalition Sports Zone

(Compiled from ESPN.com)

Bogey-free Woods perseveres

CARLSBAD, Calif. — In any other tournament, Tiger Woods would be in the lead and on the verge of another runaway.

He doesn't have a bogey through two rounds on a long, tough La Costa course.

With rain pelting his hat Thursday, he hit 5-iron to within 3 feet and 2 inches on consecutive holes that made for another short day of work in the Match Play Championship.

His reward?

Woods and 15 other survivors get to start from scratch, all of them realizing the third round might be their last.

"That's the beauty of match play. You just flip a coin," Woods said.

Woods has relied on a little more than luck. He played another flawless round on a wet and sloppy golf course and was never challenged in a 4-and-3 victory over K.J. Choi.

Woods is 7 under par in 32 holes.

"When you're playing in conditions like this, you don't want to ever give your opponent a hole," Woods said. "You know if you don't make any mistakes, you're more than likely going to win the match. That's what I tried to do the last couple of days."

So far, the strategy has worked to perfection.



Tiger Woods hasn't made a bogey in two rounds at the Match Play.



Serena Williams will not defend her title in Scottsdale.

"She tried to work with it," WTA spokesman Darrell Fry said. "After consultations with her trainer, her doctor and her father, the decision was made that it was probably best for her career not to compete."

The 21-year-old Williams, the world's top-ranked player and winner of the last four Grand Slam titles, pulled out just an hour before her first match of the tournament, against Alexandra Stevenson.

For the third straight day, rain affected the schedule and might have played a part in Williams' decision. The start of play was delayed six hours, and all eight second-round matches were squeezed into one day because of rainouts.

Williams and Stevenson were scheduled to play a matinee, but their match wound up being the featured event of the night session.

In early action, Meghann Shaughnessy defeated fourth-seeded Jelena Dokic of Yugoslavia 6-4, 6-2.

Shaughnessy, who reached the Scottsdale final two years ago, will play Francesca Schiavone in the quarterfinals. Schiavone beat Silvia Farina Elia 1-6, 7-5, 6-3.

Williams won the tournament last year, beating Jennifer Capriati in three sets. Williams has won all 11 of her matches this season, including the Australian Open championship. All four Grand Slam titles during her "Serena Slam" came against sister Venus.

Serena pulls out with left knee tendonitis

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Serena Williams withdrew from the State Farm Women's Tennis Classic on Thursday night because of tendonitis in her left knee.

Sports on local Armed Forces Network TV

Saturday's schedule (AFN Sports)

- ❖ Friday Night Fights - Friday Ahunanya vs Terrance Lewis (tape delayed) 0800Z
- ❖ NHL: Anaheim Mighty Ducks @ Phoenix Coyotes (tape delayed) 1130Z
- ❖ NBA Friday: Orlando Magic @ NY Knicks (tape delayed) 1500Z
- ❖ Motorcycle Racing: 2003 THQ World Supercross GP (live) 1700Z
- ❖ COLL BB: Florida @ Auburn (live) 1900Z
- ❖ NBA: Sacramento Kings @ San Antonio Spurs (live) 2100Z
- ❖ SportsCenter (live) 2330Z
- ❖ COLL BB: Iowa @ Indiana (live) 0000Z

Sunday's schedule (AFN Sports)

- ❖ SportsCenter (live) 0700Z
- ❖ PGA TOUR: WGC Accenture Match Play Championship (tape delayed) 0800Z
- ❖ NASCAR Busch Series: Sam's Town 300 (tape delayed) 1300Z
- ❖ College GameNight (tape delayed) 1530Z
- ❖ SportsCenter (live) 1600Z
- ❖ NBA 2Night (tape delayed) 1730Z
- ❖ Karate: ISKA Kickboxing (tape delayed) 2330Z
- ❖ SportsCenter (live) 0000Z
- ❖ NHL: Sunday Night Hockey: Pittsburgh Penguins @ Dallas Stars (live) 0130Z

Government Issue toilet paper use #78.



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By Kevin Kilgore

Laugh Support

Black History Month crossword (Courtesy of *infoplease.com*)

Across

1. Author Haley of "Roots" (1976)
 5. Black History Month is celebrated in February to mark the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln (b.1809 - d.1865) and ____ Douglass (b.1817 - d.1895) who was an activist who campaigned to end slavery and was a co-founder and editor of the "North Star" newspaper
 13. Shark Sucker
 15. This talented and glamorous star opened the doors for other African-American actresses in Hollywood, such as Halle who won the Best Actress Golden Globe Award for portraying her in a biographical television movie
 16. Controversial Coat
 17. Monastery Superior, in France
 19. Exploited
 20. Harriet Tubman, for one: She led more than 300 slaves to freedom (See #25A for a related clue)
 25. Pre-Civil War organized system that was used for helping fugitive slaves escape to Canada: Underground ____
 26. Negative reply
 27. Music store items, commonly
 30. Ms. Jillian
 31. Sports tally
 33. Not Nice
 36. Seize Suddenly
 39. Roman Road
 40. In the 1970s, this South Bronx DJ pioneered the Hip-Hop style that dominates music today
 44. He directed "Twelfth Night" (1996): Trevor ____
 45. Take a chair
 46. Wander
 47. Star football running back and Super Bowl MVP (in 1993): Emmitt ____
 49. Shoshonean
 51. Shoe width Size
 52. Speech Stopper
 54. Thurgood Marshall, Martin Luther King Jr., Rosa Parks, Lena Horne, Jesse Jackson and Maya Angelou are among those who have been honored with this Medal which has been awarded annually by the NAACP since 1915
 59. He founded the Universal Negro Improvement Association, in 1914
 61. Bread spread
 64. Famed tennis Champion: Arthur ____
 65. The Jackson 5 hit
 66. Legendary boxer Muhammad's former name



69. World light-heavyweight champion (from 1952 to 1962): ____ Moore (b.1913 - d.1998)
 72. "Cosby", e.g.
 73. Superstar Cosby
Down
 1. Island resort in the Netherlands Antilles
 2. Poet, Playwright, Novelist and Essayist: Amiri Baraka (formerly known as ____ Jones) wrote "Blues People: Negro Music in White America" (1963) and "The Motion of History and Other Plays" (1978)
 3. En predecessor
 4. Tic-Tac-Toe letters
 5. Fifties singer who sang "Turn Me Loose"
 6. Adam and Eve's Garden
 7. Carry out
 8. TV show starring Eriq La Salle
 9. Defeat Disastrously
 10. Delivery Room exclamation: "____ a girl!"
 11. Cuban revolutionary leader Guevara
 12. English dramatist who wrote "The Spanish Tragedy" (c.1586): Thomas ____ (b.1558 - d.1594)
 14. Squeal
 16. Distant
 18. Shape, slangily
 21. Popular Hip-Hop artist: ____ Cool J
 22. Heard in the Tennis circuit: "____ 23rd in the World, right now!"
 23. Fashionable
 24. Ship's distress Signal

27. Plant Pot Product: Terra ____

28. "I have a ____ that one day on the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood." - Martin Luther King Jr.

29. Antitoxins

32. "Hello!" or "Goodbye!"

33. Kweisi ____: NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) leader

34. He was a star running back and became the first African-American football player to win the Heisman Trophy (in 1961): ____ Davis (b.1939 - d.1963)

35. Fats Domino smash hit: "____ That a Shame"

36. In 1831, he led 60 followers in the Southampton Insurrection, a slave revolt, which

was the most serious in American history. He managed to live in freedom for six weeks until he was caught and hanged: ____ Turner (b.1800 - d.1831)

37. Choice on a Radio

38. Famed Blues guitarist King

40. It'll encompass "exp"

41. Every bit ____

42. ____-Coastal: The Atlantic and Pacific sides

43. Sports Stadium

48. Chinese Communist leader: ____ Guefeng

49. NFL Players Association executive director: Gene ____

50. Woods of Golf

53. Mrs. opposite

54. "Pense" prefix

55. U.K.: ____ Brit.

56. Help

57. James Dean, for one

58. Large U.S. city

59. To the highest degree

60. Wallet Wads

61. "Alas!"

62. Medieval French tale

63. "East" in Montréal

67. Hosp. nutrient device

68. Not them

70. Type of radio

71. ____-Fi

* Questions associated with the subject.

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